

## FRIGHTFUL LOSS OF HUMAN LIFE

One Hundred Miners Suffocated  
by Gas and Smoke in a  
Colorado Mine.

## SHAFT ACTED AS CHIMNEY

Smoke From Burning Buildings  
Around the Mouth of the  
Tunnel Is Drawn  
Into Shaft.

TELLURIDE, Col., Nov. 20.—What is likely to prove the most disastrous accident that has ever occurred in a notable mine in Colorado resulted today from a fire which burned the buildings at the mouth of the Bullion tunnel through which the Smuggler-Union mine is worked and which fled the mine with deadly gas and smoke. It is impossible to give even an approximate estimate of the loss of life, but it is believed that it will reach nearly 100. Seventy-two men are known to have perished.

The fire started about 7 o'clock this morning from a defective fuse in the bunkhouse at the mouth of the tunnel. It quickly communicated with the other buildings. Dense smoke from the burning converter house, which was saturated with oil, began pouring into the tunnel, which with the shaft, the day shift had just gone on duty and before they could be warned of the danger the levels and slopes were filled with smoke and gas. As soon as the men became aware of their danger efforts were made to reach the surface through various exits and about half of those in the mine escaped. It will be impossible to ascertain the number of men still in the mine for several hours on account of gas in some of the levels.

The Smuggler-Union is one of the oldest mines in this district and has several abandoned openings, some of which were available. Most of those who escaped did so through the old Union workings and the old Sheridan tunnel. A rescuing party, out of connection through from the Commercial Union adjoining and took out part of the men.

Although the buildings were quickly consumed, dense smoke continued to pour into the tunnel, and it was not until 3 o'clock this afternoon that it occurred to the management to shut off

the draft by blunting rock into the tunnel. It is believed by mining men that had this been done as soon as the fire started all loss of life might have been avoided.

The property loss is about \$20,000, fully covered by insurance.

At 8 o'clock 22 bodies had been recovered.

## HAS ADJOURNED

Adopts Resolutions Regarding Reform Force in New York.

PORT WORTH, Tex., Nov. 20.—The twenty-eighth national convention of the W. C. T. U. ended its regular session this evening with the adoption of a sensational deliverance on the attitude of the reform forces in New York City in respect to a partial open season on Sunday.

This resolution states that it is learned with regret that some of the reform leaders are advocating opening saloons on Sunday and enter a vigorous protest against Sunday opening of any attempt to give the liquor traffic longer hours or larger privileges.

## SERBIA'S QUEEN

Humored That She Has Been Assassinated at Belgrade.

VIENNA, Nov. 20.—An unfounded report has reached Vienna that Queen Draga had been shot in the streets of Belgrade. Several Vienna papers publish various rumors, one declaring that the Serbian queen was assassinated, another that she was wounded, and a third that she committed suicide. Reports from other sources deny the statement that Queen Draga was killed and asserts that the rumor of her death was caused by a hysterical scene with King Alexander. It is generally believed that a serious crisis exists in Belgrade.

## RETURNS INACCURATE

English Reports of Deaths in South African Camps Untrustworthy.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—According to the Tribune London correspondent the Daily News endeavor to show that the government's monthly returns which purport to give an accurate record of the deaths in the South African camps are untrustworthy. An examination of the blue book has, it is said, resulted in the disclosure that the deaths not accounted for in three monthly returns, which it is possible to compare with the tables in the blue book, amount to 1500.

## TROOPS FOR SOUTH AFRICA

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 20.—A special from Ottawa today says the government has decided to send another Canadian corps to South Africa as soon as a formal acceptance of the offer is received from the Imperial war office.

## TICKET IS NAMED BY THE CITIZENS

Candidates for City Offices Were  
Selected at Mass Conven-  
tion Last Night.

## ONE VACANCY ON THE TICKET

No Candidate Named for City Sur-  
veyor—Mayor Bergman  
and Auditor Nelson  
Renominated.

Mayor—Isaac Bergman, Dem.  
Auditor—H. E. Nelson, Rep.  
Police Commissioner—W. J. Cook, Dem.  
Treasurer—Thomas Dealey, Dem.  
Street Superintendent—James P. Kearney, Rep.  
Councilmen—First ward, August Scherckau, Ind.; Second ward, F. C. Reed, Rep.

With the exception of a ten-line resolution, the above-named ticket represents the work done by the Citizens' convention last evening. There was a large crowd in attendance at 7:30, and for half an hour others arrived and awaited the total attendance to 150. About 8 o'clock the meeting was called to order, a committee on resolutions was named, and nomination of the ticket was proceeded with. There was a noticeable absence of inquiry, and in less than an hour the convention had completed its work and adjourned.

With the exception of the candidate named for city treasurer, the ticket is the same as was printed in the Astorian some days ago. During the past few days Thomas Dealey had been spoken of as the candidate for treasurer, and he was unanimously chosen last night. The office of city surveyor was not filled, which is equivalent to the independence of the present incumbent, A. S. Tee, who will probably be named by the Republican city convention, which meets this afternoon at the court house. There was absolutely no contest last night each of the nominees being chosen by acclamation. At the conclusion of the meeting, party leaders expressed themselves as well satisfied with the ticket chosen and made the usual sanguine predictions of success.

## PROCEEDINGS IN DETAIL

At 8 o'clock Chairman C. C. Utzinger, of the Citizens' county central committee, called the convention to order. Nominations for permanent chairman were asked for. Selection of a chairman resulted in some confusion, as the gentlemen named seemed unwilling to act. Captain J. E. Campbell was first nominated, and, before he could decline, had been elected by acclamation. He refused to take the chair, however, and John E. Graike was nominated. Mr. Graike likewise made an effort to decline, but a motion declaring him the unanimous choice was carried before he could accept himself. After some persuasion on the part of the delegates, Mr. Graike took the platform. Albert C. Ross was chosen secretary, A. T. Brakke declining the nomination.

A motion that the chair name a committee of three on resolutions prevailed. John H. Smith, Herman Wise and Leander Lebeck were appointed. On motion, Olaf Anderson and C. C. Utzinger were named to ascertain the number of electors present. The committee reported that there were 144 voters in the hall. Tellers were named, but there was nothing for them to do, all the nominations being by acclamation. Nominations for mayor were called for. C. C. Utzinger placed the name of Mayor Bergman before the convention. He paid a glowing tribute to the mayor, and in referring to the opposition to a third term, said he thought a good man should be continued in office. There were no further nominations and Mayor Bergman was declared the unanimous choice of the convention for the office.

In thanking the convention for the honor, Mayor Bergman said he had held the office of mayor for four years, which, under ordinary circumstances, would be sufficient for any man. He did not seek re-nomination, he said, and would gladly step down if some other candidate appeared in the field. He assured the convention he was not after the salary attached to the office, for he has received only \$22 in all the years of his administration. He expressed satisfaction with the conduct of city affairs during the past four years, and said he believed the city would be given good government as long as the Citizens were continued in power. He had made an effort to be fair at all times, and hoped to continue to act honorably, if elected.

Councilman J. H. Hansen named H. E. Nelson, present incumbent, for the office of auditor. Dr. Henderson moved that the nominations be closed and the motion prevailed.

A. M. Smith named Councilman W.

J. Cook for the office of police commissioner. On motion of P. A. Trullinger, nominations were closed and Mr. Cook was declared the unanimous choice of the convention.

A call for nominations for city treasurer brought Herman Wise to his feet. Mr. Wise nominated Thomas Dealey in an enthusiastic speech, and in motion of H. E. Allen, the nominations were closed. In his acceptance speech, Mr. Dealey referred to an item that appeared in the columns of the Daily News last night, to the effect that Mr. Dealey would probably not accept the nomination as his two daughters were present holding positions in the public schools. There was just a pang of bitterness in Mr. Dealey's tone when he said he thought his daughters were holding positions as teachers because they were competent, and that he never before heard the theory advanced that being the father of school teachers barred a man from an honest desire to hold public office.

C. C. Utzinger nominated James P. Kearney, present incumbent, for the office of street superintendent. There were no other nominations. On motion of Olaf Anderson, the nominations for city surveyor were passed.

L. Lebeck named August Scherckau for councilman from the First ward; John H. Smith nominated Councilman Scherckau for councilman from the Second ward. While John Kopp named F. C. Reed to represent the people of the Third ward in the council, Mr. Reed's name was at first proposed by George Kabbott, a resident of the Second ward, and when a delegate suggested that a Second ward resident could not rightfully name a Third ward candidate for the council Mr. Kopp volunteered to present Mr. Reed's name. All three candidates were chosen by acclamation.

The personnel of the city central committee was left to the candidates. The committee was authorized to fill any vacancies that might occur.

The resolutions committee presented the following, which was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, The spirit of non-partisanship in city government is abroad in the land because experience has demonstrated that municipal government being a business proposition, it is not best that city affairs should be placed in the hands of political organizations for partisan purposes; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we reaffirm our adherence to our guiding principle of business before politics in the administration of public affairs."

After the adoption of this resolution, the convention adjourned.

## MISS STONE IS HOPEFUL

RELIES ON PRAYERS AND EFFORTS OF FRIENDS.

Mme. Tsilka and She Have Preserved Their Health Despite All Trials.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—The Sofia correspondent of the Chicago Daily News has succeeded in obtaining copies of letters recently exchanged between Miss Ellen M. Stone, the captive American missionary in her place of captivity and a Bulgarian friend. Miss Stone's letter is as follows:

My Dear Little Sister—As though the sun in all its splendor had shown out despite the rain falling on us from thick clouds, so great is my joy at having received your letter this morning. What a blessing your dear words bring to me and also to Mme. Tsilka, your country woman. To hear once more from the world, and especially words as sweet and encouraging awaken new life in us. We continually repeat in our hearts your assurance that our dear ones have not forgotten us and are praying and working tirelessly for our release.

"When your letter came, having received no help from any direction, our burden had become heavy indeed. Now we are lifted up with new courage and strong faith in the Lord. I rely fully on the prayers and efforts of our friends, known and unknown.

"Remember me to all, present my loving greetings to your mother and family and inform my co-workers that I do not cease to pray for them. I have written the particulars of our condition to Dr. Dickinson and you may ask him to see my letter. I only add here that we have preserved our general health despite all our trials. I rejoice in the permission which has just been accorded to me to write to my dearest ones in America.

"This will be the second letter which I have been permitted to write, besides those to the three persons in regard to our liberation. I hardly hoped to hear that my mother was yet alive. If you can write her a word of comfort and also my brothers, God bless you. Mme. Tsilka joins in remembrance.

Lovingly,  
"ELLEN M. STONE.

"October 22."

PORTLAND HONORED.

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—Judge J. B. Cleland, of Portland, was today elected president of the Oregon Bar Association.

## COMMERCIAL CABLE TO PHILIPPINES

Sandwich Islands Section to Be  
Completed in Seven  
Months.

## TO COST ABOUT \$15,000,000

Will Allow of the Transmission of  
Messages Nearly Four Hours  
Quicker Than at the  
Present Time.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Mr. George Ward, first vice-president of the Commercial Cable Company, said in an interview when asked why the contract for a Pacific cable had not been awarded to an American company:

"The Commercial Pacific Cable Company would have been very happy to give an American company its contract, but there is no company in the United States that could, we felt, perform the work. They have not the machinery and could not afford to have the work of laying the cable take the form of an experiment. The Silvertown Company has been established for over 50 years and has laid most of the deep ocean cables throughout the world, so that it understands perfectly just how the work should be accomplished.

"The company has assured us that they will complete the cable and have it here in seven months. Just as soon as this section, extending to the Sandwich Islands, is complete and out of the way we shall commence work on another section that will connect the Hawaiian Islands with the Philippines. Our station there will probably be on the island of Luzon near or in Manila. We have not decided on that point yet, nor have we fixed our schedule of rates, but I may say, in speaking of rates, that we shall reduce them to a reasonable figure. We expect to have the work completed in about two or three years. The estimated cost of the undertaking is about \$15,000,000 but we have capitalized our company at only \$2,000,000 because we prefer to increase capitalization as we proceed rather than use such a large figure at the beginning."

Mr. Ward said it was expected that the new cable would allow of the transmission of messages in nearly four hours less time than required at present.

## YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 20.—Columbia beat the naval cadets today.

WASHINGTON VS. IDAHO.

MOSCOW, Ida., Nov. 20.—The football game between Whitman college (Walla Walla) and the University of Idaho today resulted in a score of 10 to 0 in favor of Whitman.

## WEST POINT WINS.

WEST POINT, Nov. 20.—The University of Pennsylvania football team was defeated by West Point military academy today, and accidentally suffered one of the worst defeats in her football history. The score, 24 to 0, shows how West Point outplayed Pennsylvania.

## DICKINSON'S LIMIT.

Will Give Only \$12,000 for Release of the Captives.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—Mr. Dickinson's ultimatum to the brigands, according to a dispatch from Sofia to the Daily Telegraph, specifies \$12,000.

## SURPRISED INSURGENTS

REBEL STRONGHOLD ATTACKED AND TAKEN.

American Marines Scale a Cliff 600 Feet High Barefoot Over Bamboo Ladders.

MANILA, Nov. 20.—Major L. W. T. Waller, of the marine corps, has cabled Rear-Admiral Rodgers at Manila a detailed account of the attack on November 7th by men of his command upon rebel stronghold at Sojoon, near Bassy, Island of Samar. Three insurgent camps were destroyed, 40 bamboo canons were captured and much rice and other stores destroyed. The rebel stronghold was almost impregnable. Trails leading to it were lined with hidden pits. Major Waller's command attacked the enemy unexpectedly. To do this they had to scale a cliff six hundred feet high. They climbed barefoot over bamboo ladders. At the top they found boulders piled ready to

precipitate upon an attacking party. Major Waller considers the scaling of cliffs 500 feet high as a new feature of warfare and says such men would be able to do anything anywhere. Thirty of the enemy were killed. The marines sustained few trifling wounds.

## LORD ROBERTS' RECEPTION.

Good Feeling Was the Characteristic Feature of the Occasion.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says that Lord Roberts' home guards reception was well attended yesterday and he was heartily cheered by the crowd outside. There was no evidence that England had another Dreyfus affair in the Butler episode. Courtesy and complicity were exchanged and good feeling prevailed. Military officers have not held Lord Roberts responsible for General Buller's downfall since his removal was Mr. Broderick's act, sanctioned with reluctance by the king. All talk about a libel suit has dribbled out and military experts are beginning to doubt whether the war office will publish the text of the Colenso telegram to Ladysmith.

## RETURN TO WORK.

San Francisco Iron Moulders Get a Nine-Hour Day and Increased Pay.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—The Examiner says that today Union iron moulders will return to work on a nine-hour basis with an increase of 25 cents an hour in wages in the shops of McCormick Bros., the Western Foundry, the Mechanics Foundry, the Liberty Foundry and the Enterprise Foundry. These shops have been practically tied up for nearly five months.

## AGUINALDO'S REQUEST.

Desires to Go Before Congress and Plead Filipino Cause.

MANILA, Nov. 20.—Aguinaldo has written to General Chaffee, military governor of the Philippines, asking the latter's permission to go before congress and express the desires of the Filipino people. Aguinaldo further requests to be accompanied by eight friends, four of whom are prisoners at Guam, while the others are prominent in Manila.

## PATRICK COLLINS.

Democrat Nominee for Mayor of Boston.

BOSTON, Nov. 20.—Patrick Collins was named for mayor at the Democratic municipal convention tonight.

## CO-OPERATIVE HOSPITAL

FOR CONSUMPTIVE PATIENTS

NEAR DENVER

Rules of the Institution Compel a Continuous Outdoor Life Winter and Summer.

DENVER, Nov. 20.—The Rocky Mountain Industrial Sanitarium organized by Denver professional and business men last spring, is now in successful operation. On a 16-acre tract, five miles from Denver, 15 or 20 patients in the early stages of consumption are under the plans of the promoters virtually taking care of themselves. The rules of the institution compel a continuous outdoor life to be maintained summer and winter. Each patient is provided with a roomy tent, plenty of warm clothing and blankets and a small stove to be used only in extremely cold weather. Experience has proved that with proper food and sunshine artificial heat is unnecessary and becomes absolutely unbearable to the patients who without exception gain rapidly.

The hope of the physicians and others back of the enterprise is to form a great colony of all consumptives who come to Denver and thus take them off the streets of the city and out of the hotels and boarding houses where they could never recover and where they are a constant menace to public health. While no one is allowed by the articles of the incorporation to profit by the enterprise, the institution must be self-supporting. The co-operative idea has already been put in force for many of the patients are supporting themselves wholly or in part by doing the work on the premises. Next spring the ground will be platted and everything needed at the sanitarium will be raised and sold to the commissary department at regular retail prices. It is also the purpose to make the place so attractive that tubercular patients of some means will be glad to avail themselves of its advantages and contribute money instead of labor. The sanitarium auxiliary, composed of young women, has established branches in many Eastern cities where money is being raised for the equipment of tents and the building of airy cottages. Margaret S. Dunne, who received high commendation for her work in army hospitals during the Spanish war, has been secured as superintendent.

## WHEAT MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Wheat, December, opening, 71½¢; closing, 72½¢.

TACOMA, Nov. 20.—Wheat, bluestem, 58¢; club, 57¢.

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 57½¢; bluestem, 58½¢.

## LIMITED TRAINS CRASH TOGETHER

Fatal Wreck on Santa Fe Railroad at Franconia Arizona.

## SEVEN TRAINMEN ARE KILLED

The Collision Is Said to Have Been Due to Disregarding of Orders by the Crew of the West Bound Train.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 20.—A fatal wreck occurred on the Santa Fe railroad one mile west of Franconia, a switching station twenty miles east of Needles, California, at 5:15 o'clock this morning. Seven trainmen were killed; three passengers and 14 trainmen injured. Two limited trains, east and west bound, No. 4 and 3, respectively, crashed together while running at full speed.

Train No. 4 was drawn by two engines, while the west-bound train had but one locomotive. The three engines were crushed and blown to pieces by an explosion which followed the collision. Both trains were made up of vestibule cars of the heaviest and most improved pattern, and while they stood the terrific shock well and protected the passengers to a great extent, several of the cars took fire at once and burned. Two dining cars, one on each train, one Pullman and two composite cars were destroyed. Following is a list of casualties:

The dead are:  
P. M'ELLIGOTT, engineer of train No. 4.

H. E. BERNHARDT, barber, train No. 2.

WALTER DAVORGIE, waiter, train No. 2.

W. L. CASE, fireman, train No. 4.

A. H. ARMITAGE, train No. 2.

SAM BROWN, waiter, train No. 3.

The bodies of the latter three are missing.

The injured are:

Joe Morse, conductor, train No. 4.

R. B. Higgins, conductor, train No. 2.

J. B. Williams, engineer, train No. 3.

L. W. Fair, waiter.

H. H. Webb, porter.

Otto Rasse, chief cook.

Tony Larsen, second cook.

Monte Morton, waiter.

Harry Letcher, porter.

F. Williams, waiter.

Thomas H. Owens, waiter.

J. H. Arnold, waiter.

J. W. Bryant, waiter.

The passengers injured are:

P. J. Steenson, of Pasadena.

W. L. Franklin, San Francisco.

Mrs. H. H. Clibben, Oakland.

The collision is said to have been due to disregarding of orders on the part of the crew of the west-bound limited. From all accounts, however, the east-bound train had orders to take the siding at Franconia and await the passing of the west-bound flyer, which was running two hours late, and trying to make up time. The east-bound train failed to reach the station and as the west-bound train did not wait the trains came together without warning, and with an awful crash. The boilers of the west-bound train is said to have exploded immediately after the crash, scalding to death those of the engine crews who had not been killed outright.

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